

## **News Release**

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## Update on sewage spill reported in Hanamā'ulu; no discharge into Hanamā'ulu Stream

HANAMĀ'ULU – County officials are providing an update on the sewage spill that occurred in Hanamā'ulu last night at the intersection of Hanamā'ulu Road and Anai Street. Initial reports stated that the wastewater spill of approximately 15,000 gallons reached Hanamā'ulu Stream. This was assumed based on the topography where the wastewater spill occurred and quick approximations of the wastewater flows at that time.

However, after the wastewater spill was stopped and a visual inspection could be performed to track the extent of the wastewater spill, it was confirmed that the wastewater spill did not reach Hanamā'ulu Stream. Additionally, it was determined that 4,000 gallons spilled instead of the initial estimate of 15,000 gallons.

A contractor is currently onsite and is working to repair the broken sewer line. Until the repair is made, continuous sewer bypassing will need to be performed. County officials are asking the public to avoid this area if possible.

State of Hawai'i, Department of Health officials have been updated on the spill.

Anyone with questions can contact Jason Kagimoto with the Department of Public Works at 241-4083 or via email at jkagimoto@kauai.gov.

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